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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 5,
TO ASSEMBLY BILL 2**

April 4, 2017 - Offered by Representatives C. TAYLOR and GOYKE.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 1, line 2: after “programs” insert “, suspension of Medical Assistance
3 benefits for jail inmates, description of Medical Assistance benefits,”.

4 **2.** Page 2, line 9: after that line insert:

5 “**SECTION 3m.** 49.45 (60) and (61) of the statutes are created to read:

6 49.45 **(60)** BENEFITS FOR JAIL INMATES. (a) The department shall suspend,
7 instead of revoke, eligibility for the Medical Assistance program under this
8 subchapter while an individual who is a recipient of Medical Assistance benefits is
9 an inmate of a county jail such that the individual is eligible for Medical Assistance
10 benefits immediately upon release from jail. If implementation of this subsection
11 requires approval from the federal department of health and human services, the
12 department shall seek approval from the federal department of health and human

1 services to implement this subsection and shall implement this subsection to the
2 extent approved.

3 (b) A county or entity that administers the income maintenance program under
4 s. 49.78 shall provide to each inmate of a county jail information about eligibility and
5 benefits of the Medical Assistance program under this section. The county or the
6 entity that administers the income maintenance program shall enroll eligible
7 individuals who are inmates in the county jail in Medical Assistance and are being
8 released so that they may receive benefits immediately upon their release from jail.

9 (61) MATERIALS DESCRIBING BENEFITS. The department shall create materials
10 describing with specificity the benefits, including mental health and addiction
11 service benefits, available under the Medical Assistance program under this
12 subchapter by each type of program and how to obtain those benefits. The
13 department shall make the materials under this subsection available to any
14 recipient of Medical Assistance under this subchapter.”.

15 (END)